

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

FRAM14, Acquisition of French, 7.5 credits Inlärning av franska, 7,5 högskolepoäng Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the programmes director by delegation from the prodean for first- and second-cycle studies on 2008-04-09 to be valid from 2008-04-09, autumn semester 2008.

General Information

The course is a compulsory component of the Master of Arts programme in Language and Linguistics specialising in French. The course is offered as a single course and can normally be included as part of a general degree at the undergraduate or graduate levels. With the approval of the relevant authenticating body, it can also be included in certain professional degrees.

Language of instruction: French

Main field of studies

French

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements A1N, Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course the student shall

Knowledge and understanding

- be able to give a critical account of a number of current theories within the field of language acquisition
- be able to give a critical account of research in French language acquisition with particular attention paid to grammar, vocabulary, interaction and discourse
- be able to demonstrate sound knowledge of databases and other sources available for gathering current and reliable information on language acquisition, particularly within the discipline of French.

Competence and skills

- be able to formulate a problem area to study from within the subject area of French language acquisition, in an autonomous manner
- be able to compile an oral or written corpus and apply tools to treat and analyse it
- be able to select and apply theoretical, methodological and empirical literature which is needed in order to study a chosen problem area
- be able to present research findings using a good level of oral and written French.

Judgement and approach

- be able to reflect on and relate to his/her own language acquisition on the basis of his/her knowledge of how French has developed
- be able to evaluate and discuss various methods of analysis, both computer based and manual.

Course content

The course provides the students with an overview of current research on French language acquisition seen in various age groups and under various conditions. Students are introduced to concepts, terms and findings and shown the ways in which French language acquisition can be studied in a scholarly manner. A number of practical exercises are included, where students are given the opportunity to become familiar with tools used in both analysis work and the analysis of results. Students then define an issue to study with the help of the lecturer and other students. An appropriate corpus is compiled, in part at least, by the students themselves. Students thereafter analyse the material. The results are presented in a written report, and an oral presentation based on this report is also given.

Course design

Teaching consists of lectures and seminars, some of which are scheduled without a lecturer.

Assessment

Examination takes the form of a scheduled lecture given by the student in French, which is based on a written assignment.

Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction.

Entry requirements

To be eligible for the course requires the successful completion of 90 higher education credits, of which at least 60 are in French, or the equivalent.

Further information

1. The credits allocated for course content that in whole or in part is commensurate with another course can only be credited once for a degree. For further details see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.

Applies from V10

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